*(Rs. in lakh)*

| Sl. No. | Name of the project | Amount Sanctioned |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Development of Mamallapuram Phase I (Shore temple area and 5-Rathas area) | 628.51 |
| 2. | Floodlighting of Brihadeeswarar temple at Thanjavur | 16.50 |
| 3. | Floodlighting of Iravatheeswarar temple at Dharasuram | 24.05 |
| 4. | Development of Mamallapuram (Phase II) | 411.15 |
| 5. | Introduction of audio guide facilities at Mamallapuram | 88.04 |
| 6. | Introduction of audio guide facilities at Thanjavur, Dharasuram, Gangaikonda Cholapuram | 27.60 |
| 7. | Sound & Light show at Thanjavur | 150.00 |

**Photo Card for Indian tourists visiting Nepal**

†4282. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Nepal has offered a proposal regarding photo cards for Indian tourists;

(b) whether this would be applicable on land route also; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) to (c) According to the understanding reached in the Home Secretary level talks between Governments of Nepal and India held on June 18, 1998, citizens of both the countries are required to possess photo IDs while travelling by air between India and Nepal.

No agreement has so far been reached between both the Governments regarding the requirement of Photo Identity Card while travelling by land routes between India and Nepal.

**Foreign tourists visiting world heritage centres**

4283. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the number of foreign tourists visiting the World Heritage Centres in India has been decreasing drastically;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the efforts being made/steps being taken to attract foreign tourists to the said places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) As per the tickets sold at the Centrally protected World Heritage monuments under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India, the number of foreign visitors to these monuments in 2007 was 2.09 million as compared to 1.73 million in 2006.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.